Sportsmen Roundtable on Importance of Streams and Wetlands

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Administrator/Senior Official Participation	
Affinity/Commemorative Activity	
Stakeholder Briefing	
Stakeholder Roundtable	Nancy Stoner, Acting AA for OW
Stakeholder Communication Vehicle	

WHEN: Monday, April 22, 2013 **TIME**: 11:00 a.m. – 11:30 a.m.

WHERE: EPA East 3233

Concept: This is an opportunity to discuss the importance of streams and wetlands and the critical role sportsmen play in advocating protection with national sportsmen leaders. The primary focus of this discussion is to communicate the education efforts OW is leading around streams and wetlands and how these stakeholders can message this information to their organizations. Topical discussion may include high-level messages, latest resources online, ways these national leaders can engage their members, and the 2008-2009 National Rivers and Stream Assessment (for the news release: http://go.usa.gov/2AT3 and more info on the assessment http://www.epa.gov/aquaticsurveys)

Agenda/ROS:

10:50 – Sportsmen arrive and process through security

11:00 - Introductions, Dru Ealons, OPE

11:05 – Overview of streams and wetlands guidance, Nancy Stoner), OW (or surrogate)

11:15 - Open Discussion

11:25 - Concluding remarks, Nancy Stoner

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Key Stakeholder Audience: Sportsmen

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Communication Strategy: - N/A

- A. Social Media N/A
- B. Press/Media N/A

Budget: - N/A

Other Resources Needed: - N/A

Background:

This meeting is a follow-on to a larger discussion between Sportsmen, Commercial Fishermen, and Alaskan Native Leaders with the Bristol Bay Native Corporation meeting with Bob Perciasepe, Bob Sussman, Michelle DePass, and other senior level officials on the topic of current and future actions relative to Bristol Bay (11:30 on the same day, April 22). This group is particularly interested in a discussion of the request for CWA 404c and finalization of EPA's Bristol Bay Watershed Assessment.

Sportsmen attendees include:

Chris Wood, President & CEO, - Trout Unlimited (TU)

Steve Moyer, Vice President, Government Affairs, TU

Whit Fosburgh, President & CEO, - Theodore Roosevelt Conservation Partnership (TRCP)

Tom Franklin, Senior Director, Science and Policy, TRCP

Gordon Robertson – Vice President, Government Affairs - American Sportfishing Association

Brian Kraft (AK) – Owner, Alaska Sportsman's Lodge

Dan Michels (AK) – Owner - Crystal Creek Lodge

Dan Vermillion (MT) – Owner - Sweetwater Travel/Copper River Lodge/Royal Coachman Lodge

Gaspar Perricone (CO) - Co-Founder and Co-Director, Bull Moose Sportsmen's Alliance

Jeremy Vesbach (NM) – Executive Director, New Mexico Wildlife Federation

Bill Eyre (VT) – Director, The Orvis Company

Bob Waldrop, Executive Director, Bristol Bay Regional Seafood Development Association